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and pteridophytes; for bryophytes and thallophytes the catalogue is based upon various monographs. BAILEY'S experience with Australian plants, extending over half a century, adds much to the practical value of this work.—CHARLES J. CHAMBERLAIN.

**Plants of Palestine.**—DINSMORE<sup>11</sup> has published a catalogue of the plants of Palestine which is based on the well known floras of POST and BOISSIER; supplemented by additional collections made during the past few years. The catalogue includes the indigenous ferns, fern-allies, and flowering plants, also the cultivated plants of the region, and the total number of species amounts to about 2000. An interesting feature of the publication is the association of the Arabian name of the plant along with its scientific name. This part has been prepared by Professor G. DALMAN.—J. M. GREENMAN.

**Plants of Massachusetts.**—STONE<sup>12</sup> has published a list of the vascular plants of three counties of Massachusetts, which comprise the Connecticut Valley and represent a section of the state from Connecticut to New Hampshire and Vermont. This very interesting region has been the "stamping-ground" of such botanists as HITCHCOCK, TUCKERMAN, JESUP, CLARK, COBB, etc., and STONE has brought their work up to date. The list includes 75 pteridophytes, 16 gymnosperms, 417 monocotyledons, and 990 dicotyledons, 1498 species in all.—J. M. C.

**A manual of the cryptogams.**—ROSENVINGE<sup>13</sup> has published an account of the cryptogamic groups as a companion volume to the last edition of WARMING'S *Systematic botany*, which includes only the seed plants. A wealth of material is presented, and more than 200 excellent figures (38 of them original) have been added to those that appear in the cryptogamic part of the older editions. As the author says, the volume is a handbook rather than a textbook, introducing students and teachers to material.—J. M. C.

**Dictionary of botanical names.**—ZIMMER<sup>14</sup> has prepared a small, compact dictionary which defines chiefly names of species. It will enable one who is not a linguist to discover what specific names really mean. The thought of the author is that it will give some interest to "these strange names that are all but barren of interest in themselves."—J. M. C.

<sup>11</sup> DINSMORE, J. E., *Die Pflanzen Palästinas*. Zeitsch. Deutsch. Palästina-Vereins 1911. Reprint pp. 122. Leipzig: In Kommission bei J. C. Hinrichs. 1911.

<sup>12</sup> STONE, GEORGE E., *A list of plants growing without cultivation in Franklin, Hampshire, and Hampden Counties, Massachusetts*. pp. vii+72. Amherst, Mass. 1913.

<sup>13</sup> ROSENVINGE, L. KOLDERUP, *Sporeplanterne*. pp. x+338. figs. 513. Copenhagen and Christiania: 1913.

<sup>14</sup> ZIMMER, GEORGE FREDERICK, *A popular dictionary of botanical names and terms*. pp. 122. London: George Routledge & Sons; New York: E. P. Dutton & Co. 1913. \$1.00.